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1175	1/19/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1174	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, St. Paul	1	yes	
1173	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Memphis	1	yes	
1172	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Detroit	1	yes	
1171	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Miami	1	yes	
1170	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Baltimore	1	yes	
1169	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Boston	1	yes	
1168	1/19/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
1167	1/19/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York	1	yes	
1166	1/19/49	New York memo	7	no	(see attached)
1165	1/19/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1164	1/19/49	Albany teletype to New York, Bureau	2	yes	

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1163	1/19/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1162	1/19/49	Indianapolis teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York, Detroit	2	yes	
		Cincinnati, Pittsburgh			
1161	1/19/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
1160	1/18/49	Bureau letter to Chicago	1	yes	
1159	1/18/49	Bureau teletype to Springfield	1	yes	
1158	1/18/49	Bureau teletype to Philadelphia	1	yes	
1157	1/18/49	Bureau teletype to Cincinnati	1	yew	
1156	1/18/49	Bureau teletype to Boston	1	yes	
1155	1/18/49	Bureau lab report	1	yes	
1154	1/18/49	Bureau lab report	1	yes	
1153	1/18/49	Bureau lab report	1	yes	

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1152	1/18/49	Bureau lab report	2	yes	
1151	1/17/49	Bureau teletype to San Francisco	1	yes	
1150	1/17/49	Bureau teletype to New Haven	1	yes	
1149	1/17/49	Bureau letter to Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1148	1/17/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1147	1/17/49	Washington Field Office to Bureau, Seattle	1	yes	
1146	1/17/49	Washington Field Office to Bureau, San Francisco	1	yes	
1145	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1144	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, Detroit, Cincinnati	1	yes	
1143	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau	2	yes	
1142	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
1141	1/18/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full

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1140	1/18/49	Detroit teletype to New York	1	no	released in full
1139	1/18/49	New York letter to Detroit	1	no	released in full
1138	1/17/49	New York letter to Bureau	3	yes	
1137	1/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, Boston	1	yes	
1136	1/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Newark	1	yes	
1135	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1134	1/18/49	Washington Field office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1133	1/18/49	New York memo	1	no	
1132	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Philadelphia, New York, Bureau	1	yes	
1131	1/18/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1130	1/18/49	St. Louis teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	2	yes	
1129	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Newark, Philadelphia	2	yes	

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1128	1/18/49	Newark teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1127	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Albany	1	yes	
1126	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
1125	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1124	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1123	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1122	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1121	1/18/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1120	1/18/49	New York memo	2	no	released in full
1119	1/17/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
1118	1/17/49	Complaint form	4	no	released in full
1117	1/18/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	7	yes	

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1116	1/17/49	Lab report	2	yes	
1115	1/17/49	New Haven report	3	yes	
1114	1/17/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Baltimore	1	yes	
1113	1/17/49	New Haven report	3	yes	
1112	1/17/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1111	1/17/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1110	1/17/49	Bureau letter to San Diego	1	yes	
1109	1/17/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1108	1/17/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1107	1/15/49	Letter to New York	1	no	(see attached)
1106	1/17/49	San Francisco teletype to Bureau, New York, Washington Field Office, New Haven	1	yes	
1105	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	

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1104	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Newark	1	yes	
1103	1/17/49	Washington Field Office teletype to New York, Bureau	1	yes	
1102	1/17/49	Washington Field Office teletype to New York, Bureau	1	yes	
1101	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
1100	1/17/49	St. Paul teletype to Bureau, New York, Cincinnati	3	yes	
1099	1/17/49	Cincinnati teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1098	1/17/49	Detroit teletype to Cincinnati, Bureau, New York	3	yes	
1098A	1/17/49	Baltimore teletype to New York, Bureau	1	yes	
1097	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Detroit	1	yes	
1096	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau, San Francisco Washington Field Office, New Haven	1	yes	
1095	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Chicago	1	yes	
1094	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore Washington Field Office	1	yes	

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1093	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Seattle, Baltimore	2	yes	
1092	1/17/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
1091	1/17/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	yes	
1090	1/12/49	Washington field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1089	1/14/49	Bureau letter to New York	1	yes	
1088	12/13/48	FBI letter to Attorney General	3	yes	
1087	1/13/49	GE letter	1	no	Army referral
1086	1/17/49	Bureau teletype to New York, Philadelphia Baltimore	1	yes	
1085	1/14/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1084	1/14/49	Chicago teletype to New York, Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1083	1/12/49	Los Angeles letter to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1082	1/13/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full

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1081	1/17/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1080	1/17/49	Albany teletype to Bureau, New York	3	yes	
1079	1/17/49	Omaha teletype to Bureau, New York	2	yes	
1078	1/17/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1077	1/17/49	Albany teletype to New York; Bureau	1	yes	
1076	1/14/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Boston, New York	1	yes	
1075	1/14/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, St. Paul	1	yes	
1074	1/14/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Nashville	1	yes	
1073	1/14/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, San Francisco	1	yes	
1072	1/14/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1071	1/14/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1070	1/14/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	

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1069	1/14/49	Chicago report	17	yes	
1068	1/14/49	Bureau report	3	yes	
1067	1/14/49	Chicago letter to Bureau	2	yes	
1066	1/14/49	Los Angeles letter to Bureau	2	yes	
1065	1/14/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1064	1/14/49	New Haven report	2	yes	
1063	1/14/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1062	1/14/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1061	1/14/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1060	1/14/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1059	1/13/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Baltimore, Bureau	1	yes	
1058	1/13/49	Springfield report	2	yes	

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1057	1/13/49	Bureau letter to Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1056	1/13/49	Lab report	2	yes	
1055	1/12/49	Denver report	17	yes	
1054	1/12/49	New York serial to New York 10016831			
1053	1/16/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1052	1/16/49	El Paso teletype to St. Louis, New York Bureau	1	yes	
1051	1/15/49	Bureau teletype to Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
1050	1/15/49	Charlotte teletype to New York, Bureau, Omaha	2	yes	
1049	1/14/49	Milwaukee letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1048	1/14/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
1047	1/14/49	St. Louis teletype to New York, El Paso, Bureau	1	yes	
1046	1/14/49	Philadelphia letter to Bureau, New York	1	yes	

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1045	1/14/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Baltimore, New York, Bureau	1	yes	
1044	1/14/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York	2	yes	
1043	1/14/49	New Haven teletype to New York, Baltimore Washington Field Office	2	yes	
1042	1/14/49	Bureau teletype to New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia	1	yes	
1041	1/14/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	yes	
1040	1/14/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	yes	
1039	1/14/49	Baltimore teletype to St. Louis, New York Bureau	1	yes	
1038	1/14/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	3	yes	
1037	1/14/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1036	1/14/49	New York memo	1	yes	
1035	1/14/49	Newark teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York	1	yes	
1034	1/14/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	yes	

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1033	1/14/49	Albany teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	4	yes	
1032	1/14/49	New York memo	2	yes	
1031	1/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, Baltimore	5	yes	
1030	1/14/49	Teletype to Albany, Bureau	1	yes	
1029	1/14/49	New York teletype to Washington Field Off.	1	yes	
1028	1/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Miami	1	yes	
1027	1/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	2	yes	
1026	1/14/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	6	yes	
1025	1/14/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	2	yes	
1024	1/14/49	Seattle teletype to New York	1	no	released in full
1023	1/14/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
1022	1/14/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	

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1021	1/14/49	New York memo	2	no	released in full
1020	1/14/49	New York memo	2	no	released in full
1019	1/13/49	Bureau letter to Washington Field Office	1	yes	
1018	1/13/49	Bureau teletype to Denver	1	yes	
1017	1/13/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1016	1/13/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1015	1/13/49	Lab report	1	yes	
1014	1/12/49	Denver teletype to St. Louis, El Paso	2	yes	
1013	1/12/49	Pittsburgh letter to Bureau	1	yes	
1012	1/12/49	Bureau letter to Dayton Resident Agency	1	yes	
1011	1/12/49	Atlanta letter to Bureau	2	yes	
1010	1/13/49	New York memo	2	yes	

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1009	1/13/49	Boston teletype to New York, Bureau	1	yes	
1008	1/14/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
1007	1/13/49	New Haven report	3	yes	
1006	1/12/49	Pittsburgh report	2	yes	
1005	1/12/49	Detroit report	5	yes	
1004	1/12/49	Albany letter to New York	1	no	released in full
1003	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau	3	yes	
1002	1/13/49	Philadelphia teletype to Washington Field Office, New York, Bureau	3	yes	
1001	1/13/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
1000	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
999	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Albany	1	yes	
998	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	

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997	1/13/49	Washington Field Office to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
996	1/13/49	Newark teletype to New York, Bureau	2	yes	
995	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore	2	yes	
994	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau, New Haven	1	yes	
993	1/13/49	Charlotte teletype to New York, Washington Field Office, Baltimore	2	yes	
992	1/13/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
991	1/13/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
990	1/13/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
989	1/12/49	Bureau letter to New York	2	yes	
988	1/12/49	Bureau letter to New York	2	yes	
987	1/11/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
986	1/10/49	Detroit report	9	yes	

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985	1/8/49	Portland report	2	yes	
984	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, Los Angeles	1	yes	
983	1/13/49	New York teletype to Bureau	2	yes	
982	1/13/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
981	1/12/49	New Haven report	2	yes	
980	1/12/49	New Haven report	2	yes	
979	1/12/49	Newark letter to Bureau	1	yes	
978	1/12/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, Los Angeles	1	yes	
977	1/12/49	Lab report	2	yes	
976	1/12/49	Lab report	1	yes	
975	1/12/49	Lab report	1	yes	
974	1/12/49	Lab report	1	yes	

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	1166	New York Memo for file 1/19/49.	7	7	Page 3-6 Symbol numbers of 3 confidential sources	(b) (2)	

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New York, New York

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MEMO

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
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This is to record that on January 13, 1949, Mr. Brent of the Bureau advised ASAC Belmont that Specimen Q-5, as designated by the FBI Laboratory, was a photostatic document dated January 7, 1938 and beginning with the words "Reliable source reports that since signing the Tripartite..." and ending with the words "to harass the Urunchi-Lanchow Road"

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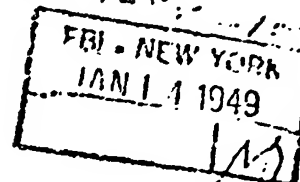
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There is being transmitted under separate cover the brief case containing serials from your office in instant case, which was returned to this office at the time of Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN'S illness.

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New York, New York
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MEMO

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MR. ZANDER

At 5:30 pm on January 13, 1949, I advised Mr. H. B. Fletcher of the Bureau that I had talked to Mr. T. J. Donegan relative to the fingerprint examination of the CHAMBERS documents. I informed Mr. Fletcher that, according to Mr. Donegan, we have to bear in mind that the court will undoubtedly honor a motion on the part of Mr. McLEAN, attorney for ALGER HISS, for an examination of this material by outside experts and that such an examination by them will cover the typing, the watermark of the paper and the age of the paper. I told Mr. Fletcher that the outside experts would try to uncover information which would reflect that the paper is new and could not have been produced in 1937 or 1938. If handwriting appears on the typewritten documents, the handwriting would be checked. Mr. Fletcher stated that no handwriting appears on the typewritten documents.

I further advised Mr. Fletcher that Mr. Donegan stated there is no objection to the fingerprint examination if it would not effect an examination by other experts and would not give them grounds to claim they could not conduct the examination because the documents had been tampered with. Relative to whether ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS have touched the papers since they were produced by CHAMBERS in Baltimore, I advised Mr. Fletcher that it is Mr. Donegan's opinion that quite possibly ALGER HISS examined the papers in Baltimore. The only way to find this out, however, is to determine what went on in Baltimore. I told Mr. Fletcher that on the morning of January 14th, we were going to ascertain from CHAMBERS whether he brought in the originals or photostats; whether the documents were handled by all of the attorneys and HISS; whether the documents were taken out of the court room so that PRISCILLA HISS might have had an opportunity to touch them, and in this way ascertain whether there is a basis for the fingerprint examination. I also advised Mr. Fletcher that if CHAMBERS' recollection needs refreshing, we will contact his attorney.

Relative to document Q-5 which was typed on a Royal typewriter, I informed Mr. Fletcher that we discussed this with CHAMBERS. CHAMBERS advised that the document must have come from one of two sources, either WHITE or HISS, and that he could not recall WHITE giving him any typewritten documents up to that time. Consequently, he is of the opinion it must have come from HISS. Mr. Fletcher was advised that in order to question CHAMBERS further on this, we wanted to do a little checking and find the original State Dept.

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document from which the information was taken; that we were going to check with Mr. Donegan to see if he has the State Dept. document, and if not, we will get it from the Bureau. Mr. Fletcher stated that Washington Field was able to locate the document on January 12th. I told Mr. Fletcher that it was our understanding that a 100% identification had been made on all the documents.

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I pointed out to Mr. Fletcher that we had not received a copy of the laboratory report concerning Q-5; that this was the first indication we had received that one of the documents was not typed on a Woodstock but on a Royal typewriter. I requested Mr. Fletcher that we be furnished with two copies of this laboratory report, and pointed out to Mr. Fletcher that although the Department received a copy of the laboratory report, Mr. Donegan had not seen it. I told Mr. Fletcher that we would like to furnish a copy of the report concerning Q-5 to Mr. Donegan. Mr. Fletcher stated the Bureau would send this report to us on January 14th.

A. H. BELMONT

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
New York, New York

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MEMO:

January 14, 1949

Re: JAY DAVID SHUTTAKER CHAMBERS was. Et Al
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R
MAXIE LIEBER

The Manhattan Telephone Directories reflect that MAXIE LIEBER is an office representative, 469 Fifth Avenue, New York City, telephone LU 2-3135.

It was noted in a review of the pre-trial depositions that CHAMBERS had known LIEBER slightly while he was employed as an editor of "New Masses" in 1932. In August, 1935, CHAMBERS moved to a cottage on the Delaware River near Frenchtown, New Jersey on the Pennsylvania side which cottage was rented by LIEBER who was running a literary agency in New York City. CHAMBERS indicated that he spent about two months at this cottage although many of his nights were spent at HISS'S home on P Street, Washington, D. C. He recalled that during this period, Mrs. HISS spent about ten days at this cottage and that ALGER HISS had visited them on at least one occasion which occasion was to take Mrs. HISS back to Washington, D. C. CHAMBERS stated that LIEBER was present on numerous occasions while Mrs. HISS resided in this cottage, and he believed that LIEBER met Mr. HISS at that time. This cottage was rented by LIEBER from a Mr. BLOOM (ph.) of Frenchtown, New Jersey who also had a cottage next to them on the Delaware River and he believed that Mrs. BLOOM, a sister to Mr. BLOOM, had also met Mrs. HISS. CHAMBERS recalled that this cottage was located about three miles below Frenchtown, New Jersey on the Pennsylvania side and the town was possibly called Smithtown, Pennsylvania.

While residing at this cottage, CHAMBERS recalled that money had been given to him by the Communist Party to purchase an automobile which he did while accompanied by LIEBER, and this car was purchased on Broadway, New York City under the name of CHAMBERS. He described this car as a coffee colored (tan) Ford. CHAMBERS believed that he registered this car in New York City under the name of DAVID BLOOM, then he went to Maryland he sold this car to himself to have it under the name of CHAMBERS which was possibly in 1936.

During the summer of 1935, CHAMBERS moved to LIEBER'S farm at Ferndale, Pennsylvania. He had maintained a pseudo business relationship with LIEBER in that LIEBER was used as an employment reference, i.e. he told others he worked for LIEBER, a literary agent. At that time LIEBER was living with his wife on this farm and he knew the names that CHAMBERS had used in the underground which included LLOYD CARTER and DAVID BLOOM.

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In the fall of 1936, CHAMBERS moved to New Hope, Pennsylvania on the Delaware River. He recalled that Mr. and Mrs. WISS had been looking for a summer home and they found a little stone house at New Hope and they went to a real estate dealer, Mr. WOOD, at New Hope and asked him about the house. CHAMBERS recalled that he went to look at this house with WISS or WOOD or both and it was rented by CHAMBERS under the name of DAVID BRIEL. He stated the landlord was TOM MARSHALL, an apple grower, who owned a farm one and a half miles south of New Hope, Pennsylvania. He stated that LIEBER had visited them at this house and they probably lived there until early 1937.

During the early part of 1937, CHAMBERS occasionally visited New York City and while in New York City, he usually stayed with LIEBER or with his mother at Lynbrook, Long Island.

CHAMBERS also recalled that possibly in 1936 he took part in setting up an underground apparatus in Japan. He stated he was working with LIEBER on this setup and that they both worked under a man who was known to them only as "BILL" who had the responsibility of establishing the underground in Japan. CHAMBERS recalled that he was introduced to "BILL" by Dr. ROSENBLATT or J. PETERS. CHAMBERS stated that it was his duty to find a business cover in the United States whereby Communists could live in Japan under this cover. He stated that at this time he and LIEBER set up the American Features Syndicate which was set up in LIEBER'S office in New York City. He said that this office was a cover address for a man named CHARLES CHASE who was in the Communist underground in Japan.

It is suggested that the files in the New York Office, relative to MAXIE LIEBER, be examined and thereafter that LIEBER be interviewed relative to ALGER WISS and his wife to develop information on the contacts of CHAMBERS with WISS. He should be questioned about the various means used by CHAMBERS and all of the persons mentioned in the above memorandum should be discussed with LIEBER so that further possible logical leads may be covered.

IRVING M. SPILLER, S.A.



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RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, et. al.
PERJURY
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Mr. CHAMBERS was interviewed this morning by SA R. X. [redacted] and the writer in connection with the so-called Q-5 document, which is one document of the 65 that is not typed on the Woodstock typewriter. Mr. CHAMBERS related that it is his recollection that he obtained this document from Mr. HISS, together with the other 64. He stated that there is a remote possibility that this document could have been obtained from HARRY WHITE but he discounts this greatly because of the fact that he never, as far as he can recall, received anything but handwritten material from HARRY WHITE.

CHAMBERS was asked whether he knew of any other typewriters that might be available to PRISCILLA HISS during the pertinent period. He related that the only people who had a typewriter which PRISCILLA would have dared use in copying any confidential material would be HENRY COLLINS, MARION EACHUS and DONALD HISS. He was asked whether either he or PRISCILLA HISS could have copied this material in his, CHAMBERS', home. He stated definitely that this was not the case and pointed out that he was living in Baltimore at this time. He made the suggestion that it was possible that on the date that this document was being typed, the Woodstock typewriter might have gotten jammed up and it was necessary for PRISCILLA to obtain another machine to complete this work. It is not believed that this suggestion has much merit in view of the fact that instant document is dated January 8, 1938 and the remaining 64 documents are dated subsequent to this time. It is pointed out that if the Woodstock typewriter had been broken, it is doubtful that, because of its age, it would have been repaired.

T. G. SPENCER
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ET AL, PERJURY, IS R, ESPIONAGE R. RE BALTIMORE TEL JANUARY FOURTEEN, LAST. ADVISE SEATTLE IMMEDIATELY RE RENO ANGLE THIS CASE IN ORDER THAT SEATTLE MAY INTELLIGENTLY HANDLE INTERVIEW COL. CLARENCE S. THORPE. SEATTLE HAS NO BACKGROUND THIS CASE EXCEPT BUTEL JANUARY ELEVEN, LAST. NO INFO AVAILABLE HERE RE RENO. EXPEDITE

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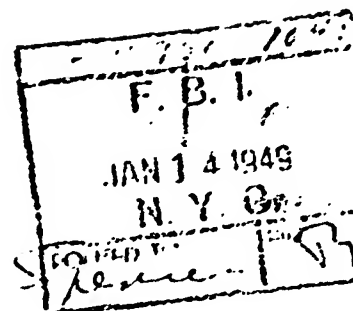
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RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, et. al.
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

At 1:00 pm today, Mr. Leo Laughlin of the Bureau called, making reference to New York teletype of last night sent at 9:18. He stated that the Director had questioned whether the name of DONALD HISS should have been included in the group CHAMBERS claimed was operating under HAROLD WARE. I advised him, after checking with SA Tom Spencer who was at the moment interviewing CHAMBERS, that the teletype as sent was correct; that DONALD HISS was, according to CHAMBERS, in the group. I also advised that he had not put ALGER HISS in the group because he was not sure ALGER HISS was in the group. Consequently, no statement was regarding ALGER HISS.

A. J. TUOHY
Supervisor

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New York, N. Y.

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January 13, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, with aliases
ALGER HISS, et al;
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

At 3:55 p.m., January 13, 1949, I telephonically advised Special Agent Tom Wendenahall, Washington Field Office, in the absence of Ken Delavigne, that we had just ascertained from Stettinius' secretary that he is now en route to New York, having taken an afternoon train; that they should discontinue efforts to contact him inasmuch as we would handle the interview in New York City on January 14, 1949.

A. J. TUOHY,
Special Agent

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Foley Square, New York City

Gentlemen:

Is this the typewriter concerned in the Hiss-Chambers case? Below is a sample of the type:

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We secured it from the Noonan's Nursery at 79 Sunrise Highway, Lynbrook in exchange for a Corona adding machine. If you find that it is, we will be glad to place it at your disposal for use as evidence.

Yours Truly,

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CHARLES KRAMER
ANDREW ROTH

COMPLAINT FORM

Subject's Name and Aliases

PHIL CURTIS et al

MANUEL APRIL

Name of Complainant

46 West 73 St. N.Y.C.

Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

Character of Case

Telephone Number of Complainant

12:30 PM - 1/11/49

Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT: Complainant detained from indices as mentioned in Silverman

case. 65-14685. Former wife Lauretta April also mentioned in that case as well as 65-14461-422P37,44,45,101-788*
558 P. 17, 34, 45, 54

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant appeared personally. During the interview it was noted APRIL was nervous and gave his information clearly though ramblingly. He volunteered during the interview that he had just spent a year in the insane asylum saying that he suffered from "paranoia with psychotic tendencies" ^{14 months} after 10 months in the Veterans Hospital in Perry Point, Md and the Shepard Pratt Sanatorium in Baltimore, Md. He had just returned from a vacation in Florida. Said he was in good mental health now. While in Florida he had given information to an agent named BURRIS of Miami office. APRIL advised that he during the war was in the Coast Guard and had been in several prisons (Continued) of Italy and France. He has worked as a writer and correspondent and photographer and director of motion pictures.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

Review of files as to APRIL and his wife LAURETTA APRIL in Silverman may indicate the value of following this information and interviewing APRIL.

He came from April last week. It had some address in it. At time it was intended for ex. file there being no way of identifying it.

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April said he came to N.Y.C. because on 1/1/47
he had visited an uncle of RENEE Roth (wife of ANDREW ROTH
arrested in the JAFFE case - 65-14461). April said he had left
the name of Renee Roth's uncle at home on a slip of paper. The
uncle's residence he believes is on 44th St. NYC. The uncle told APRIL
that Andrew Roth was now in India writing for magazine.
Andrew and Renee Roth are about to be divorced.

April's ^{former} wife, LAURETTA APRIL of 3714 Q many Road,
Washington D.C., from whom he secured a divorce in Reno, Nevada
on 5/18/47, formerly worked on the Senate Labor and Education
Committee under Senator Pepper and worked with CHARLES KRAMER,
RENEE ROTH, PHIL CURTIS, etc. Through his former wife,
April became acquainted with these and all the people employed
by the Committee as well as LARSEN who worked in the U.S. State
Dept. and who was arrested at the same time as ROTH. Lauretta
April, according to Complainant, also had been employed by the
War Production Board, Office of War Information, the
KILGORE Committee, and is presently with the Public Health
Service in Washington D.C.

April recalled several instances of his contacts
with Charles Kramer, etc. which had been brought to his
mind as significant since he had been told that Kramer
had been an Unresponsive witness before the Un-American
Committee.

When April originally met Roth, Roth was in the
Navy and was trying to get a book he had written cleared by
the Navy for publication. Roth told April he was being held up
by the Navy "bureaucrats" and April who had been in the

Coast Guard was sympathetic with Roth. Roth was trying to have Senator Pepper exert influence on the Navy Dept to clear the book. April recalled that about 2 days before Roth was arrested he was asked by Roth to accompany him to Sen. Pepper's office. April recalls they went to see CHARLES KRAMER, who was high in Sen. Pepper's office. When they saw KRAMER, Kramer seemed excited and asked Roth if he had been followed to Pepper's office. ^{after Roth's arrest April recalled that Sen. Pepper had asked him what he thought of Roth and he replied that he did not know but that Roth seemed like a nice guy.}

After Roth's arrest, April noticed that all Roth's friends seemed to be afraid to help him or get in touch with him. April aided him and ~~entertained~~ entertained Roth's mother when she came to Washington. He now recalls one remark made by Roth's mother to the effect that "Andrew should not have done all they told him to do". He did not know the significance of such remarks, but at the moment he thought that Roth may have been acting under instructions. April wondered if there were Soviet instructions. He also stated that the whole Roth family were Communists but had nothing specific on this.

April also recalled ~~that he remembered~~ that at a party he attended some months before Roth was arrested he heard Roth ask a person "where he had left the stuff" and the person said it was in his coat. April believed the other person was Laurence of the State Department.

April remembered that PHIL CURTIS who was also with the PEPPER Committee, once asked him at a party to which Lauretta April had taken him, why he (April) didn't join the Communist Party. According to April he told CURTIS very definitely that he despised the

Communist Party and could not see why any American
would belong to it. He said CORTIS seemed very
pleased at this and Lauretta Apil told him on the
way home that he should not have answered Cortis
like that. On reflection Apil wondered if the whole
group were Communists. At this point Apil said
he had no animus toward his former wife and recalled
that when the Pepper Committee was disbanded all of the
persons except his wife had been taken care of and transferred
to other jobs.

Apil was unable to complete the interview
having to go to the SANE (N. H. KOWITZ) PRESS Company <sup>(may be
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at 1400 Broadway N.Y.C. where he was to be interviewed
about some photographic or advertising job. He expressed
willingness to come to the office again or be interviewed by
agents when convenient. He said he had no telephone at
the 73rd St address but there was one on the 5th floor of
the building outside of his apartment. He is living with his
present wife there and asked that if agents desired
to contact him they not disturb his present wife who
had been under a strain in taking care of him.

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New York, N. Y.

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January 17, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS,
with aliases, et al;
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R

At 5:05 p.m., January 17, 1949, ASAC A. J. Marchessault, Detroit, advised that with reference to the subject UNSUB KEITH in instant case, they had ascertained that CRANE, whom they had been directed to locate by the Baltimore Office, is presently on the faculty of Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio, which is in the Cincinnati Division territory. He stated that they had secured additional information concerning CRANE, including the fact that he had a daughter in 1937 and has a brother living in California. All the information concerning their investigation would be forwarded by teletype tonight. He said the purpose of his call was to advise that the Cincinnati Office might call here requesting instructions on this phase of the case.

A. J. TUOHY,
Special Agent

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New York, New York

January 18, 1949

MEMO

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was: Et Al
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

Mr. T. J. DONEGAN furnished the New York office a photostatic copy of what appears to be typewritten notations in a notebook which are dated Friday, December 13, 1940, entitled, "Counter-Revolutionary" and bears no signature. According to Mr. DONEGAN, this material was turned over to him by Mr. MC LEAN, ALGER HISS' attorney. The material contained in this photostat is supposed to have been written by MALCOLM COWLEY.

Briefly, the material relates that the author (MALCOLM COWLEY) had lunch on December 13, 1940 at the New Western Hotel with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, and as a result CHAMBERS related certain information concerning the latter's association with the Communist Party, from 1924 to 1929, and subsequently CHAMBERS' connection with the underground apparatus particularly in Washington, D. C. from approximately 1931 until 1937. Of particular importance was the fact that this article relates that "SAYRE, the high commissioner to the Philippines, is also connected with the underground movement."

On this date SA FRANCIS X. PLANT and the writer interviewed Mr. CHAMBERS concerning this material, and he related that he met MALCOLM COWLEY at the New Western Hotel for lunch sometime in 1940; that at that time MALCOLM COWLEY was a free lance writer. CHAMBERS declared that so far as he knew, COWLEY was not a member of the Communist Party, but was always more or less close to Communist Party activities. He related that in one instance he was associated with a group that was soliciting assistance in the election of FOSTER and FORD in the national elections.

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J. J. Donegan
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He stated that COWLEY is well known in literary circles, that at one time he was on the staff of the "New Republic" as literary editor, and that he has written a rather well received book in connection with leftist activities on the left bank in Paris. CHAMBERS related that he recalls that during this luncheon, he talked to COWLEY about the Communist Party underground, and related to him some of the information that he had previously related to ADOLPH BERLE when the latter was in the State Department. He denied specifically that he had mentioned that SAYRE was in any way connected with the Communist Party movement.

CHAMBERS advised that he has not seen MALCOLM COWLEY since that time. He did recall, however, that COWLEY wrote an article or a series of articles about ERNEST HEMINGWAY as a result of interviews he had with the latter in Cuba, and that these articles were published in some rather recent issues of "Life" magazine.

THOMAS G. SPENCER, SA

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T. J. Donegan has advised that Felix Inslerman
states he filed job applications in 1942 at
Western Electric, N.Y.C., Vought-Sikorsky or Chance-
Vought Aircraft, Com., and Federal Radio and Telephone
in N. Y. The exact location of these plants will
be determined and appropriate leads set out.

Inslerman further stated he was employed
by a Mrs. Sundelsson as a private chauffeur in
1935. T. J. Donegan will secure more details
re her on 1/19/49, thereafter appropriate leads
will be set out.

John J. Danahy.
(SA.)

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January 19, 1949

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MEMO:

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was,
 PERJURY
 ESPIONAGE - R.

In reviewing the testimony of ALGER HISS before the HCUA, page 1174, it was noted that HISS stated that JOSEPH JOHNSON of Birmingham, Alabama, who was in Washington, D. C., accompanied HISS to the Committee hearings and told HISS a representative of the press said that there were reports being received by the press ever since CHAMBERS testified that CHAMBERS had spent a considerable part of the last four to five years in mental institutions. JOHNSON is a lawyer who, according to HISS, went to Harvard Law School with him.

HISS further testified that Mr. WALTON, who was formerly an employee for "THE INCORPORATED" had told a friend of his that CHAMBERS had been to a mental institution in 1946.

It is noted that in the testimony of CHAMBERS before the HCUA, page 1188, that CHAMBERS denied he had ever been treated for mental illness.

LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE, SA.

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MEMO
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Re: BORIS BYKOV, was Borris Bykov.
Borris Hertz, Colonel Bykov.
"Peter"

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM J. MCCARTHY, JR., on January 11th through January 18, 1949:

With a view towards identifying "PETER" who was WHITTAKER CHAMBERS superior in Soviet espionage, an analysis was made of the information furnished by CHAMBERS, a review of the New York file on BORIS BYKOV, with aliases, and a review of other files. CHAMBERS advised that he first met "PETER" through ALEXANDER STEVENS, also known as JAY PETERS, in the Fall of 1936 in New York City in front of St. Patrick's Cathedral. He met PETER many times after this up to early 1938 when CHAMBERS broke with the Soviets. The meetings took place at various theaters in New York. Some meetings took place in Washington, D. C. PETER never indicated where he lived. He rarely mentioned anything about his background. However, CHAMBERS gathered that PETER had been in Russian Secret Police work or had been a prosecutor for the Russian Government. Further, that probably from 1932 to 1934 PETER was doing secret work in Europe. He probably arrived in the United States in late 1935 or early 1936.

During the period from early Spring, 1937 until approximately March, 1938 CHAMBERS saw PETER nearly once a week in New York or Washington and turned over microfilm to him. CHAMBERS introduced PETER to HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR. in a theater in Brooklyn, probably in 1937; to A. GEORGE SILVERMAN sometime in 1937 in Washington, D. C.; also to HARRY DEXTER WHITE in 1937; also to ALGER HISS and JULIAN WADLEIGH.

CHAMBERS never knew PETER'S true identity; however, after he broke he had a long conversation with General WALTER KRIVITSKY in late April, 1938. After furnishing KRIVITSKY with all his descriptive data concerning PETER, KRIVITSKY stated that PETER was BORIS BYKOV. This was not a positive identification but was probably a pretty good one since both CHAMBERS and KRIVITSKY were only out of the service of the Soviets a short time and their information and recollection were very accurate.

CHAMBERS described PETER as follows:

Age:	In 1936, late 40's
Height:	5' 7"
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Reddish, thinning

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Eyes:
 Eyelashes:
 Complexion:
 Mouth:
 Teeth:
 Nose:

Reddish brown
 Reddish
 Ruddy.

Full lips but not blubber lips.
 Appeared to have all his own teeth.
 Thin, pointed nose, particularly thin at the end and his nose occasionally quivered.

Characteristics:

Clean-shaven, well proportioned, neat dresser, wore hard worsted expensive but conservative suits, always wore a hat, was quick in his movements, probably wore reading glasses, not cocky or conceited but definitely authoritative in his manner, had a ferret-like way about him.

Peculiarities:

Invariably carried his right hand inside his jacket or overcoat (Napoleon style)
 Spoke Russian, spoke German with a Yiddish accent, spoke very poor English when he first came to United States but improved during his stay.

Languages:

CHAMBERS advised that PETER had a wife in the United States. He did not know the wife's name. He recalled that he saw her once. He described her as follows:

Age:
 Height:
 Complexion:
 Appearance:
 Glasses:
 Nationality:
 Languages:

In 1936, in 30's
 5' 7"

Fair

Unattractive

No glasses

Russian, not Jewish

Russian; practically no English; had one expression in English which she frequently used, "It's a gay farce".

None

Children:

In regard to any pattern for the meetings between CHAMBERS and PETER, CHAMBERS stated that PETER consistently changed the place of the meetings and that they met in the Bronx, Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens. CHAMBERS recalled that on one occasion he met PETER in Brooklyn and they returned to Manhattan via the East Side subway and PETER got off at Fourteenth Street. CHAMBERS recalled that PETER had a wonderful knowledge of the New York subway system.

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Concerning any arrivals or departures from the United States of PETER, CHAMBERS stated that he had no knowledge of any arrivals or departures; however, he believed that PETER arrived in late 1935 or early 1936. He had no idea how he arrived. CHAMBERS stated that he did not believe that PETER had ever been in the United States prior to his arrival in late 1935 or early 1936. He had a great fear of the American secret police. CHAMBERS believes that if PETER had been here before, he would not have had this fear.

In his book "In Stalin's Secret Service", General WALTER KRIVITSKY stated that BORIS BYKOV was the head of the Soviet Military Intelligence from 1936 on. He did not further identify BYKOV in the book; however, on June 28, 1939 General KRIVITSKY was interviewed by RUTH SHIPLEY of the Passport Division of the State Department. During the interview they discussed BORIS BYKOV.

Miss SHIPLEY prepared a memo relating to the interview and set forth the following information concerning BYKOV:

"Another person very active in the Soviet Intelligence work in this country who is now here is a man said to be Colonel Boris Bykov, or Bykoff, or Bukov, or Bukoff. He is probably in charge of the extermination of KRIVITSKY. He is said to be a small person with very odd red-brown eyes, red hair and red eyebrows. He came to this country in the Summer of 1936 from France also probably first class on the Normandie. He received a visa in Paris in the Spring of 1936 or either a German or Polish passport."

This office is presently checking the manifests of the Normandie for all arrivals during the Summer of 1936.

[redacted] advised SUZANNE LaFOLLETTE in 1939 that Colonel BYKOV had worked with General KRIVITSKY in Italy as an agent of Soviet Military Intelligence and was later placed in charge of this organization in the United States. [redacted] described BYKOV to SUZANNE LaFOLLETTE as age in 1939 - 40 years, hair dark red, build medium, eyes brown with thick brown eyebrows and lashes, skin very red especially about his neck, characteristics - always talking about himself.

[redacted] was reinterviewed on January 14, 1949 by SA FRANCIS X. PLANT and WILLIAM J. MCCARTHY, JR. [redacted] advised that she first met BORIS BYKOV, probably in 1927, in Italy. She met him just once and then very briefly. She met him again in Vienna in 1930 or 1931. This time the meeting was in a restaurant and the meeting was very brief and was social.

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[redacted] was of the opinion that BYKOV was an Austrian and had been connected with the Austrian Communist Party and had gone to Russia and became attached to Soviet Intelligence during the 20's. She described BYKOV as follows:

Age:
Height:
Complexion:
Hair:

Eyes:

Eyeleshes:

Lips:

Marital status:

Characteristics:

In 1927, 28 or 29
5' 8"

Pale

Reddish blond, not a real red-head, thinning on top

Color not known; eyes had red rings around them

Light colored, almost white

Possibly full lips

Probably single in 1927

Well-dressed

[redacted] stated that General KRIVITSKY had advised her that BYKOV was connected with Soviet Military Intelligence and was in the United States. Further, [redacted] thinks that General KRIVITSKY stated that he had met BYKOV on the streets in New York City after the General had come to the United States from Canada which was in November, 1939. This would mean that BYKOV would have to have been seen by KRIVITSKY between November 1939 and 1941 when KRIVITSKY died. [redacted] did not recognize the name BORRIS HERTZ.

The Bureau in reviewing its files trying to identify BYKOV came up with some information to the effect that two individuals, JAN VALTIN and RICHARD PETERS and MAURICE WALKIN had furnished information about one BORRIS HERTZ. JAN VALTIN advised around 1940 that BORRIS HERTZ, a Comintern representative, had been in the United States for about a year or two. He described HERTZ as a Russian Jew of small stature with red hair and in his late 40's.

MAURICE WALKIN, who was prominent in Communist activities in New York was interviewed in early 1940 and advised that BORRIS HERTZ was a Comintern National Representative who arrived in the United States in 1937. He described HERTZ as a small Russian Jew. He added that HERTZ had worked all over Europe including Germany and France and had collaborated with LEO HAIKISS in Spain. HAIKISS was the Chief of the O.G.P.U. there. HERTZ was a former organizer of the Leningrad O.G.P.U.

From the above it will be noted that BORRIS HERTZ, who has never been identified, could be PETER and/or BORIS BYKOV. The individuals who furnished

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tion on HERTZ will be reinterviewed. Since this office is now in possession of a great deal more information about "PETER" it may now be able to identify or eliminate BORRIS HERTZ as PETER.

The State Department and Immigration and Naturalization Service, Central Office, files were both checked for a record of BYKOV or HERTZ and he was found. This would indicate that neither HERTZ nor BYKOV was in the United States under either of these names.

The individuals mentioned by CHAMBERS as having met PETER through him are for the most part hostile and are not likely to cooperate. The only one who did meet PETER and who has cooperated is JULIAN MADLEIGH. He was interviewed concerning PETER and advised that he only met him once. He could recall very little about PETER other than that he was under the impression that PETER had one arm missing. This impression may have been due to the fact that PETER frequently carried his arm inside his jacket or overcoat. MADLEIGH was unable to add anything which would help in identifying PETER. The individuals who could probably help in identifying PETER but who would probably be uncooperative are HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR., A. GEORGE SILVERMAN, and ALGER HISS. HARRY DEXTER WHITE is deceased.

A number of individuals who were known or suspected as having operated as Agents of the Soviets in the United States were considered as being possibly identical with PETER. All have been eliminated. Below is set out under the name of the individual who is known or suspected of being involved in Soviet espionage the basis for eliminating the individual:

JACOB GOLOS

CHAMBERS advised that he knew JACOB GOLOS and GOLOS was not PETER.

WILLY BRANDES

BRANDES' physical description does to some extent fit PETER. CHAMBERS viewed a photograph of BRANDES and stated he did not feel BRANDES was PETER. [redacted] viewed a photograph of BRANDES and did not recognize BRANDES as BYKOV. Further, BRANDES was involved in an arrest and trial in England in 1937, hence could not have been seeing CHAMBERS once a week in the United States during 1937.

VASSILI ZUBILIN

Neither CHAMBERS nor [redacted] recognized the photograph of ZUBILIN as PETER or BYKOV. Further, ZUBILIN could not be PETER.

because ZUBILIN was in Moscow in late 1937 and early 1938 [redacted] hence could not have been in Washington and New York during this period meeting CHAMBERS.

BORIS BAZAROV, alias BORIS SHPAK, BORIS SPALAK

BAZAROV, who was [redacted] principal in New York during the period 1935 to October, 1937 and who does to some extent satisfy the description of PETER, is, according to [redacted] not identical with PETER. [redacted] bases this on the fact that BORIS BAZAROV was in Moscow during the period October, 1937 to June, 1938 hence could not have been meeting CHAMBERS once a week in New York and Washington during this period.

BORIS BASSOFF

[redacted] advised that she knew both BORIS BYKOV and BORIS BASSOFF and they were not identical. CHAMBERS has seen a photograph of BASSOFF and stated that he did not appear to be PETER.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, "BILL"

This individual was mentioned by the informant GREGORY as a Russian agent during the early 40's in New York City. His description does not satisfy that of PETER. BILL was 5' 11" tall, extremely thin, and had black hair.

BILL GRINER

This individual was [redacted] principal during the period 1936 and 1937. He operated in New York City. [redacted] stated that he could not be PETER since BILL was definitely a Gentile whereas PETER was Jewish. Further, BILL had a full head of hair and a low forehead whereas PETER had thin hair. Also, BILL had a flat, almost oriental nose whereas PETER had a thin pointed nose.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, JACK

This individual was the principal of the informant GREGORY. He was recently identified as JOSEPH KATZ. His physical description does not satisfy that of PETER.

The Bureau by letter dated January 3, 1949 instructed New York to show CHAMBERS photographs [redacted]

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the period 1936 to 1938 with a view towards identifying BYKOV.

The Washington Field Office advised by letter dated January 11, 1949 that the names and photographs of all male employees of the Soviet Embassy during the period 1936 to 1938 were not available. However, the Washington Field Office did locate and obtain photographs of fifteen employees who worked during this period. These photographs were forwarded to New York and were shown to CHAMBERS on January 18, 1948 and he failed to recognize any of them. The individuals whose photographs were shown CHAMBERS are as follows:

M. GERASIMOV
D. CHUVAKHIN
M. N. KACHIRIN
K. M. KOUKIN
A. M. YAKINICHEV
V. M. BEGUNOV
V. A. BURZIN
G. GRIGORIEV
I. Y. KLIMENKOV
G. GOKTMAN
A. A. TROYANOWSKY
B. E. SKVIRSKY
N. I. BOLOTNIKOV
I. L. OKUNEV
C. A. OUMANSKY

The indices of this office were checked relative to all persons named BYKOV. No information which would help in identifying PETER was found. However, photographs of four individuals by the name of BYKOV, who worked for the Soviet Union in the United States, were located and were shown to CHAMBERS on January 18, 1949. He failed to recognize any of them. They are as follows:

AKIM SEMENOVICH BYKOV
DMITRI B. BYKOV
DMITRY VENIAMINOVICH BYKOV
MIKHAIL PAVLOVICH BYKOV